

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Geoff Hall

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For: FIRE FIGHTING BUCKET SUSPENDABLE FROM AIRCRAFT

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Group Art Unit: 3752

Examiner: Dinh Q. Nguyen

**RESPONSE TO GROUP ELECTION REQUIREMENT**  
**AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**  
**AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed February 29, 2008, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to May 29, 2008.